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SIR:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 18, 2008, Applicants provisionally elect with traverse the invention of Group I.

Applicants request that the Examiner consider the following:

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